



Table Talk

KAPI - MANA
BRIDGE CLUB

May 2016

Kapi-Mana Multigrade

May 8

Entries are open for our Multigrade tournament on May 8. People from all grades can enter, and mixed grade pairs are welcome. The entry form is now up on the noticeboard.

Last year Kim and Mark Janor were overall winners – can a Kapi Mana pair do it again?

Help is needed to make the day a success!

If you're not playing, but are interested in helping out on the day, put your name on the whiteboard where you can help – Morning tea, Lunch, Afternoon tea – helpers are required for all those spots

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The Kapi Mana AGM

When: May 24

Where: The Clubrooms

At 7pm

The evening includes nibbles, drinks and social bridge, so come along to the AGM to enjoy a fun evening 😊

Your Committee needs new members

Interested, but not sure what's involved in being on the Committee?

We meet on the first Thursday of the month, from 6.15 until 7.25 (at the latest – we have to stop to play bridge!).

The Committee discusses any problems or issues that have arisen during the past month, organizes the tournaments, and plans for the future. The Committee needs to represent the club, so members are required from **all** playing nights

It's a fun thing to do. You also meet and become friends with people who play on different nights to you 😊

So, have a think about it, have a chat with the current Committee members - Margaret Roberston, Yvonee Helps, Mac Fa'atafa, Lorraine McArthur, Tracey Shields, Nigel Horne or Rod Ferguson – if you're interested, or just add your name to the nomination form on the noticeboard.



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Club Play in April

Monday: Tawalin Pairs

Tuesday: Redwood Pairs

Wednesday: Swiss Pairs

Thursday: Morel Pairs

Keen to play, but don't have a partner? – phone

Gaye (238-9904) for a Monday partner,

Annette (234-8916) for a Tuesday partner,

John (233-6122) for a Wednesday partner, and

Lorraine (232-7694) for a Thursday partner

Interclub

Interclub is on May 20.

Tournaments

May 1 – Upper Hutt Open Pairs / Upper Hutt Junior Pairs

May 8 – Kapi Mana Multigrade Pairs

May 14 - Wellington IP Trials (at Victoria)

May 22 – Hutt Open Pairs / Hutt Junior Pairs

May 22 – Paraparaumu Intermediate Pairs

May 29 Otaki Multigrade Pairs

June 20 – Kapi Mana Open Pairs

The ideal girl for young men at the University of Akron, Ohio, in 1929 would have the same amount of education as the boy and belong to a sorority. She should be able to cook, sew, dance, play bridge, golf, swim and play a musical instrument. She shouldn't be too business-like. And, of course, she would have a maternal nature.

Contributions welcome to:
tippyshields@xtra.co.nz

Situation vacant

Wanted – Supplies Manager

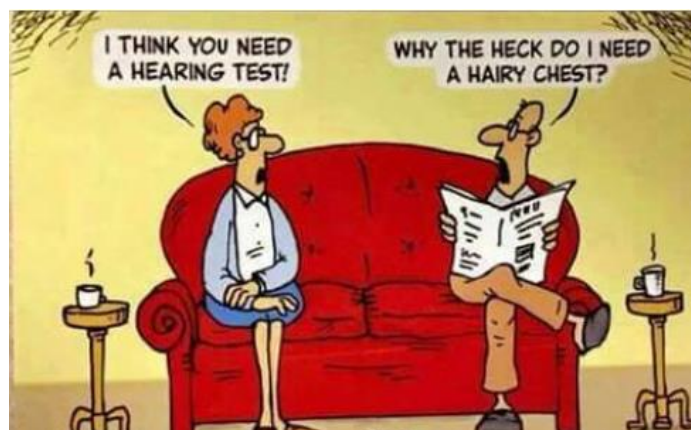
Do you like shopping? Interacting with people? Then this is the role for you!

Our lovely Supplies Manager has decided it's time to hand over the baton to someone new. This important position in the Club involves buying the supplies – tea, coffee, biscuits, and cleaning materials.

Hours to suit the successful applicant; remuneration is seeing the joy on the faces of club members as they munch their bikkies.

Interested? Have a chat to Club President Margaret Robertson asap, before this highly sought after position is filled.

Note – Kapi Mana Bridge Club is an equal opportunities Club, men are encouraged to apply.



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Bridge in the news

100-year-old bridge player knows his strong suit



Mitchell Dibbs, a 100-year-old bridge player, plays bridge about four times a week with the regular crowd at St. Marks by the Sea Lutheran Church in Palm Coast. NEWS-

He's 100 years old and still playing the cards that life deals to him.

Mitchell Dibbs, who some say has declared and defended against the game's "legends," such as Charles Goren, also regularly pulls up a chair at the bridge tables in St. Mark by the Sea Lutheran Church in Palm Coast.

Dibbs was born in Brooklyn in October 1915, which has given him lots of time to hone his game.

He wins. A lot.

"He comes down and steals from us," said Sylvia Caviggia, president of the Palm Coast Duplicate Bridge Club, somewhat in jest during a match on Monday. She said Dibbs has played bridge with legends such as Charles Goren, but he "plays with us because he thinks we're more fun."

"I like to win, but the important thing is the social aspect," Dibbs agreed.

Dibbs said he found his way to the game while living in Brooklyn. He was doing some work for a woman who lived on Park Avenue in New York, he said. She really wanted to play bridge, after having been placed on bed rest.

"She was very intent on me playing bridge," he recalled. He didn't want to let her down, so he and his wife spun some hands with her.

He said he spends six months of the year in Allentown, Pennsylvania, and six months in Palm Coast, playing up to four times a week with the Palm Coast Duplicate Bridge Club. His friend David Wager says he lives and drives by himself, taking a flight down from Allentown.

Dibbs shared his story with a reporter, Caviggia, and one of his three sons but didn't share any bridge playing tips. He did say he prefers bridge to poker because there's less luck and more strategy involved.

One of his sons is retired pastor Robert Dibbs. Robert and his wife, Elaine, live in Marblehead, Massachusetts, and had come to Palm Coast for a visit.

"They came down for the funeral, but they were premature," Mitchell Dibbs quipped.

Asked what he thought has been the best change since he was born, Dibbs looked at his life as one piece, and a good one at that.

"I had such a wonderful life," he said. "Such a good body, physically, I have no regrets."

Especially not about his late wife of 66 years, whose name was Vera Dibbs, although she went by Pat. Dibbs remembers dating her when she was 14 and he was four years older.

"My friends called me a 'baby snatcher,'" he recalled. "I took my wife out on a 50-cent date and we saw a movie and she would be very happy. Nobody complained in those days."

The secret of their long marriage was that she "was the only woman who would have put up with me; I was a tyrant," he said, joking.

Dibbs said he made his living as a businessman, selling Far Eastern and domestic carpeting, which he cleaned and installed. He retired about 40 to 50 years ago.

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